

**MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY
GOVERNOR'S MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMISSION
ARIZONA MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMISSION
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2004, 10 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M.
SILVERBELL ARMY HELIPORT, MARANA, AZ**

OPENING REMARKS

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins opened the meeting of the Arizona Military Affairs Commission and thanked the Silverbell Army Heliport for hosting the meeting. She then invited Colonel Rodriguez to give a brief synopsis of the building, where the meeting was held in. Colonel Rodriguez said that the building is only two weeks old and only a small part of a \$14 million hanger project they have just completed. She also explained the itinerary for the day, which will include a break for lunch and a tour and briefing of the facility, would follow.

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins then explained that the reason there are two concurrent meetings being held is because HB 2140 was signed into law, to establish the Arizona Military Affairs Commission (AMAC). She stated the focus of AMAC is the development of the Rules and Regulations for the Military Installation Fund (MIF) and until those were completed, the meetings would be very brief. She thanked Betty Camarena and the Department of Commerce for helping to develop the Rules and Regulations. She thanked the Rules and Regulations Subcommittee for their hard work and dedication. She invited anyone who was interested to join the Subcommittee at their next meeting, tomorrow at 10 am.

RULES AND REGULATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins reiterated that their first meeting was September 8, 2004. The Department of Commerce has contracted Sue Allender to help guide them through the process of rule making. Ms. Allender will continue to compile all the necessary information in this development. The September meeting was successful in deciding the purpose of the MIF, criteria for funding, who might be eligible, application process and definitions. This information has been distributed to all the Committee members. On October 13th, the Rules and Regulations Subcommittee meeting will discuss the first draft of the Rules and Regulations. November is the target date to have the draft finished. She stated that they are looking at possible dates for Stakeholders Meetings and they are tentatively thinking they will be held in December.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins then made a call to the public. There were no responses or questions from the public.

FUTURE MEETING DATES AND LOCATIONS

Ms. Atkins stated that the next meeting will be held on January 18, 2005 in Tucson. The location is pending. The Governor's Military Affairs Commission will be meeting on the same day as the Arizona Military Affairs Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more further business, Co-Chair Lisa Atkins moved to adjourn the meeting of the Arizona Military Affairs Commission. The motion was seconded and it was adjourned.

OPENING REMARKS

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins opened the third meeting of the Governor's Military Affairs Commission and thanked the Arizona National Guard for hosting the meeting. A representative for General Rataczak received a thank you from Ms. Atkins. She recognized that there were no elected officials in the audience.

ROLL CALL & INTRODUCTIONS

Dion Flynn held roll call. The Commissioners that were present included: Lisa Atkins, Co-Chair; James Cavanaugh, Mayor of the City of Goodyear; Tom Hessler, Mayor of the City of Sierra Vista, Lenore Stuart, County Supervisor of Yuma County; Brigadier General Tom Browning, USAF, Ret; Michael Francis, President of the West Valley Community Action Coalition; Monsignor Richard O'Keefe; Priscilla Storm of Diamond Ventures in Tucson; Nancy Stump, retired.

The Commissioners that were not present included: Sandie Smith (arrived later), County Supervisor of Pinal County; Robert Walkup, Mayor of the City of Tucson; Tom Finnegan, Co-Chair; Robert Johnston, Lieutenant General, USMC, Ret.

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins recognized Larry Nelson, Mayor of the City of Yuma in the audience.

DESCRIPTION OF AMAC VERSUS GMAC

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins addressed the differences between the Arizona Military Affairs Commission and the Governor's Military Affairs Commission. The Governor's Military Affairs Commission acts as an advisory commission to the Governor, concerning executive, legislative, and federal actions necessary to maintain and grow Arizona's military installations. The contact for the GMAC is the Governor's Policy Advisor, Dion Flynn (presently, this position is filled by Patrick Chorpenning). The Arizona Military Affairs Commission, which is a legislative body, is responsible for delegating how the monies in the Military Installation fund will be used. The contact for the AMAC is Deb Sydenham and Betty Camarena at the Department of Commerce. The background information can be found when studying HB 2140, located at www.azleg.state.az.us. The Governor's 13 appointments to AMAC are effective until December 2005, and all have been reappointed. AMAC meetings will be held before the GMAC meetings.

ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins announced that Dion Flynn's husband was being transferred and bid her a farewell as the Governor's Policy Advisor on Military Affairs. She then welcomed Pat Chorpenning as the new Governor's Policy Advisor on Military Affairs, effective on December 1, 2005.

Ms. Atkins announced that Gene Santarelli submitted his resignation on the Commission to the Governor, due to conflicting schedules with his work. Tom Finnegan will be the new Co-Chair,

replacing Mr. Santarelli. Dr. Bill Carrell of Tucson will be filling the empty Commission seat, as a new member.

Ms. Atkins encouraged the Commissioners and guests to sign in, with email addresses, at the registration table. This will allow the Commission to keep everyone up to date. She also stated that there were comment cards on the registration table. She instructed anyone, who fills one out, to give it to Dion Flynn to be read by the Commission during the call to the public.

COMMUNITY REPORTS

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins announced that there is a copy of the minutes from the last meeting in everyone's packets and asked for a community update from the rest of the Commission and guests.

Michael Francis announced that there is pending legislation that is being proposed to protect the land around the military installations.

Mayor Cavanaugh started off by talking about his trip to Washington. He stated that they hired a lobbyist a couple of years ago to address the issues of the west valley. This lobbyist arranged a meeting with a number of mayors in the west valley, SES level personnel, various congressional delegation and others. They presented what they, on the west valley, are doing to protect the military installations. From this meeting, they came to the following conclusions:

- The west valley has an excellent reputation as a single voice in support of Luke Air Force Base.
- Jointness and mixed-use are paramount considerations when determining the qualifications for closure and continuation.
- Each branch of service does not provide their own individual recommendations, but rather they have joint groups, which compile the information for all the services and make recommendations.
- The noise contour of the F-35 is not as large as they thought (approximately equivalent to the F-16).
- The F-35 Vet Down Decisions are not expected to be current with BRAC.

Priscilla Storm began by highlighting the process that Tucson and Pima County are going through to transfer the Davis- Monthan Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) into city and county ordinance. Pima County is doing a major comprehensive plan amendment, which will be forwarded to the Pima County Board of Supervisors for approval. Tucson has adopted a special exception use process around the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, which would require any land use to go to council for special recommendation. They are considering the extension of the special extension use process through December 31, 2005 and looking at acquisition of properties around Davis-Monthan. Ms. Storm explained that there were some issues between the private home owners and the JLUS, concerning vocabulary in the JLUS and the homeowners feeling as if they were not properly represented at the JLUS meetings. The city of Tucson is working through these issues, with Mayoral Council and Pima County Board of Supervisors within the next 30 days.

Mayor Hessler began by laying emphasis on the fact that he and Tom Finnegan are the representatives from Fort Huachuca and Sierra Vista and he is happy about the delay in the BRAC process. He wanted to address two issues. The first issue was the concern that the re-stationing

overseas would affect BRAC. Mayor Hessler said that it would not. The second issue was the fiasco with the jail overseas has delayed the acceptance of command for General Barb Vass. They are waiting for her announcement of command over Ft. Huachuca. His conversation with the Governor (per her conversation with Secretary Rumsfeld) revealed that Secretary Rumsfeld was unfamiliar with the land exchange process, but he was excited to learn more. He updated the Commission with progress of the pilot program which was underway with the Department of the Army and Main Street Association to renovate the downtown areas, around the military installations, to be more user-friendly to the military. He said that Ft. Huachuca should be next. He went on to say that The Homeland Security is getting organized in Arizona. At the Arizona Cities and Towns Meeting, they asked if Mayor Nelson could be a member of the Southern Region Sub-committee. The answer to this request is pending.

Monsignor O'Keefe stated that, due to thoughtful planning and unique positioning, the two installations in Yuma should be ready to answer any questions BRAC has to pose. He then asked Supervisor Stuart to elaborate.

Supervisor Stuart said that Yuma has been asked to look at the JLUS. The city and the county have agreed and are meeting with the Marine Corp Air Station this Friday. She also stated that the Arizona Clean Fuels meetings have revealed that Yuma County has successfully communicated their opposition to placing the pipeline across Barry M. Goldwater Range. They are researching other options. Supervisor Stuart will update the Commission on both issues at the next meeting.

Nancy Stump wanted to recognize Rob Ross in the audience. He is the Deputy Press Secretary to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Policy Advisor on Military Affairs.

General Tom Browning stated that the Conference Committee has passed out the authorization bill. There were two issues with this bill. The first issue deals with the idea that other agencies will be able to use the military installations (namely Homeland Security). He was pleased that the southern bases and the southern mayors are already aware of this notion. The second issue was that the date for submission of information for consideration is March 15, 2005. He reiterated that the strategy of the AMAC and GMAC should always be to focus on the future, with community involvement.

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins added to General Browning's comments, concerning the DoD Authorization Bill. She stated that she will email copies of the meeting of the Conference Committee on this bill and apologized for not having it at this meeting.

BRIEFING BY THE ARIZONA NATIONAL GUARD

Brigadier General Matt Whittington, Assistant Adjutant General Joint for the Arizona National Guard, began by welcoming the Commission to WAATS. He stated that 25 units in the Army National Guard have been mobilized, which represents approximately 50% of their total forces. The AZ National Guard forces are unique, nationwide, because they exceeded their recruiting retention goals within the Army and Air National Guard. Accompanying General Whittington were Colonel Pam Rodriguez, who commands the Western Arizona Army National Guard Aviation Training Site at Silverbell Army Heliport and Colonel Deb Spear, who commands the Florence site. General Whittington then turned the floor over to Colonel Spear and Colonel Rodriguez for the remainder of the briefing. See the attached briefing recap.

OVERVIEW ON DEPARTMENT OF ARMY REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND ARMY-MANAGED AIRSPACE

See the attached briefing document for further details.

UPDATE ON THE STATEWIDE JOINT LAND USE EFFORTS

Heather Garbarino from the Arizona Department of Commerce reported progress of their third joint land use study. The first was Luke Air Force Base, the second was Davis-Monthan Air Force Base and the third was Barry M. Goldwater Range (to be completed around mid January 2005). She referred the Commission to their website for any further information at www.azcommerce.com. She opened the floor up for questions.

Michael Francis asked if the JLUS for Luke Aux-1 was available and, if so, what aircrafts were used when determining the noise contours. Ms. Garbarino responded that she believed they used the F-16 and the F-18, but she would have to check. Michael Francis stated that, from this information, it can be inferred that the noise contours of the F-16 are more similar to the noise contours of the F-35. Ms. Garbarino stated that the F-18's are actually closer to the F-35's. Mr. Francis stated that since these aircrafts are similar, the JLUS should use the information, already available on F-35's, for their study. Ms. Garbarino responded that she did not believe this information was applicable in this JLUS situation.

Lisa MacFarlane, a resident of Tucson, asked why they didn't use F-18's to simulate F-35's, instead of F-16's in the Tucson area JLUS. Ms. Garbarino responded that it was a consensus-based process and the policy advisory commission decided to use the F-16's to bolster the noise contours around the base.

Priscilla Storm added that the notional noise contours were established before the JLUS began and the decision was accepted by the advisory commission, but the actual exercise was completed afterwards.

Ms. Garbarino stated that they will be discussing the JLUS for the Florence/Silverbell facilities with the Department of Defense. They are waiting for direction from the Governor's Office. Supervisor Sandie Smith asked where to refer people to, when asking about the JLUS. Ms. Garbarino responded that they may contact the Department of Commerce for any questions.

Daniel Patterson from the Center of Biological Diversity in Tucson asked when the Barry M. Goldwater Range JLUS will be completed. She responded that the first draft will be available in the end of November.

LUNCH

With no further questions, the Commission adjourned for lunch. The Commission reconvened the meeting at 1pm.

2004 MILITARY BASE BILLS

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins began by highlighting the legislation, which has been passed in Arizona, pertaining to military installations.

- HB 2134: NATURAL GAS STORAGE FACILITIES – prohibits the location of large natural gas storage facilities near military installations.
- HB 2141: MILITARY AIRPORT; RESTRICTED ZONES – adds Luke Air Force Base Auxiliary Airfield #1 with its designations and maps of high noise and accident potential zones to the list of military facilities recognized in statute.
- HB 2140: MILITARY AIRPORTS –
 - Needed changes in state statutes to protect missions of all of Arizona’s military facilities
 - Created Military Installation Fund: \$4.8 M in FY-05 and FY-06 and every year thereafter; funds support from AG and Department of Commerce
- HB 2662: MILITARY AIRPORTS; TRAINING ROUTES – identifies “military training routes” and requires notification to landowners.

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins reiterated the importance of capturing the interest, generated in the Military Installation Fund, and not allowing it to revert back to the General Fund.

BRAC UPDATE

Dion Flynn began by addressing the request from the Commission to send a letter to the Congressional Delegation, requesting the BRAC timeline to remain dormant. She drafted a letter and sent it to the Representatives and Senators. The Governor met with Secretary Rumsfeld (Dion Flynn and Dennis Burke accompanied her) on August 27, 2004. They felt the meeting went well and Secretary Rumsfeld stated that he was very aware of Arizona and her military installations. They discussed BLM Land Exchanges and Secretary Rumsfeld was very interested in the process. He assigned a contact in Washington D.C. in order to keep updated with the Governor’s Office.

CURRENT AND FUTURE ACTION ITEMS

- Mayor walkup requested information about a possible pipeline running through the Barry M. Goldwater Range (BMGR). (Open: 5-13-04)
- Mayor Hessler would like to continue discussions about an Arizona nomination for a BRAC Commissioner. (Open 5-13-04).
- Monsignor O’Keefe would like to further discussions about commercial airline service into smaller Arizona communities supporting military operations involving the AZ Department of Transportation and the Federal Aviation Administration. (Open 5-13-05).
- Mayor Cavanaugh and Nancy Stump want direction for the Governor’s Office about how the Commission should deal with the Southwest Defense Alliance and the National Association of Installation Developers (Open 8-24-04).

FUTURE MEETING DATES AND LOCATIONS

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins announced that the next meeting will be held on January 18, 2005 in Tucson, but the specific location is to be announced.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

At this time, Co-Chair Lisa Atkins made a call to the public.

Lisa MacFarlane of Tucson Arizona commented that there are many people that are upset over the JLUS, due to the housing facilities near David-Monthan Air Force Base. She stated that the noise contours are considered “incompatible” by the JLUS. She asked what the DB levels the clients have now are and what they will be in the future and what levels are dangerous to peoples’ hearing? Co-Chair Lisa Atkins referred her to the Department of Commerce for her answers.

Daniel Patterson of the Center of Biological Diversity acknowledged the officials at WAATS for stopping the Ranch at Waosa and working to protect the environment and the facility. Mr. Patterson brought to the attention of the Commission a proposed project to build a highway on the western side of the BMGR. He feels that this project should be looked at more closely. He then mentioned that the Commission may want to watch the efforts of the local cities and towns. He feels that the city of Tucson is involved in a rezoning prospect, which could nullify the efforts of JLUS.

Michael Rossi of Marana asked where the WAATS facility was in researching the contributors that hindered legislation last year. Colonel Spear said that, in order for Silverbell to have legislative protection, they needed a noise contour. They have put together a noise study and will be receiving it on October 27, 2004 to present to Representative Nelson. She said she will keep the Commission updated. Mr. Rossi was concerned that the legal jargon may hinder the efforts in the legislation again. Colonel Spear assured him that they were addressing those issues.

Monsignor O’Keefe recognized the professionalism and direction that Dion Flynn provided to the AMAC and GMAC Commission and thanked her for all her hard work.

Co-Chair Lisa Atkins recognized Pat Chorpenning as the new Policy Advisor on Military Affairs and welcomed him to the Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

Since there was no further business, both the Governor’s Military Affairs Commission and the Arizona Military Affairs Commission meetings were adjourned.

Special Note: Electronic copies of the presentations or any materials noted above are available on request. Please contact Pat Chorpenning at 602.255.3373 or send an email to director@azvets.com or gforsberg@azvets.com.

For additional information about the Governor’s Military Affairs Commission or the Arizona Military Affairs Commission, go to the web page at <http://www.governor.state.az.us/mft/index.html>.

BRIEFING BY THE ARIZONA NATIONAL GUARD

The major functions at Silverbell Army Heliport.

WAATS MISSION

- Conduct US Army Directed Aviation Training
- Conduct NG8 Directed Aviation Training
- Conduct Registered Training Support

C/1 – 189 AVN MISSION

- 10 Ship Assault Company
- Currently Deployed in Support of OIF
- Based at PPMR

AASF #1 MISSION

- Provide Individual and Crew Training for Pilots in the C/189 Av, C-12 Det. and RAID (70 pilots)
 - UH-60, OH58R, C12
- Provide Airfield Services and Aircraft Maintenance Support for Tenant Users of PPMR

AASF #2 MISSION

- Provide Individual, Crew and Team Training for Pilots in the 1-285th AHB (63 Pilots)
 - AH-64D
 - Longbow Crew Trainer (LCT)
- Provide Aircraft Maintenance for 1-285th AHB
- Provide Airfield Services and Support for Tenant Users of 5BAHP

LOCAL TACTICAL TRAINING AREA

- Public Land
- Low Population Densities
- Extensive Landing Rights
- 360 Days of VFR Training
- Excellent Variation of Terrain Relief

WAATS STATISTICS

- 16 Courses Offered
- 918 Students Graduated FY-04
- 5,183 Hours Flown FY-04
- 3,789 Sorties FY-04
- 9,158 Pilots Since 1986
- 90, 183 Accident-Free Hours

1-285 AHB STATISTICS

- 340 Soldiers Assigned
- 15 of 24 AH-64D on Hand
- 888.2 Hours Flown FY-04
- 444 Sorties FY-04
- The Only RC Unit to Field the AH-64D

PEACE VANGUARD STATISTICS

- Long-Term Program (20+ years)
- Training Relationship with 1-285th AHB
- USA Flight Training Detachment (USAFTD) Assigned
- 2,096 Hours Flown FY-04
- 1,048 Sorties FY-04
- Certified by 21st CAV in 2003 (CO LEVEL)

QUALIFIED PERSONNEL

- USAFTD STRENGTH: 26
 - 13 Officers (4 Commissioned-9 Warrant Officers)
 - 13 Enlisted (2 E8, 4 E7, 7 E6)
- RSAFTD STRENGTH: 259
 - 118 Air Force Personnel Assigned
 - 116 Military/2 Civilian
 - 141 Dependents
- Reside in Oro Valley, Marana and NW Tucson
- Already Begun Personnel Rotations
 - 40% of Original Organization has Departed

AASF #1 STATISTICS

- Located at PPMR in Phoenix
- 75 Personnel (AGR/Technician)
- FHP
 - UH-60 1213
 - OH-58R 1204
 - C-12 (Deployed)
- 70 Aviators

AASF #2 STATISTICS

- Original AASF Opened in 1986
- New AASF Opened in 1995
- 106 Personnel (AGR/ Technician)
- FHP
 - AH-64D 2800
 - OH-58 150
 - LCT 1440+600
- 67 Aviators

RAID STATISTICS

- Located at PPMR (AASF #1)
- Projected to move to SBAHP in FY-60
- 8 Personnel (ADSW)
- FHP
 - 4 OH-58R
 - 1204 Hours Mission Support
 - 602 Sorties

FLORENCE MILITARY RESERVATION TRAINING SITE

- Located Along Arizona State Route 79, Approximately Six Miles North of Florence, AZ
- 60 Miles Southwest of Phoenix
- 25,752 Acres of Sonoran Desert
- Average Elevation is 1,700 Feet MSL

FMR FACTS

- Over 19,000 Acres of State Trust Land Which is Leased and 6,000 Acres of Federal Land
- Training Ranges Include Combat Pistol Course, Squad Automation Weapons Range, Light Anti-Tank Range, 800 Meter Machine Gun Range, 15-Meter 40mm Machine Gun Range
- FMR Also Has Several Simulator Buildings for Artillery Firing, Live-Fire Firing Areas, as well as Impact Areas for Artillery Rounds. A Large Maintenance Facility and Vehicle Storage Area are Also in the Reservation.
- FMR Hosted over 52,000 Soldier Days Where National Guard Soldiers used these Ranges and Training Areas Last Year.
- No Other Large Tract of Land is Close to Phoenix Metropolitan Area

ENCROACHMENT ISSUES

- Safety of Soldiers and Community
- Lights-Night Operations
- Traffic Congestion
 - 2 Lane with No Turn Lanes
 - Slow Moving Military Vehicles
- Noise
- Residential Developments
- Recreational Land Use
- No Exclusive Use, Cannot Control Civilian Access

AZ-ARNG GOALS

- Safety and Community
 - Fence Impact Area
 - Fence Perimeter
- Preserve Land
 - Environmental Funding
- Preserve Training Area
 - Joint Land Use Study

DEPART. OF ARMY REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE & ARMY-MANAGED AIRSPACE

USAASA MISSION

Serve as the Executive Agent for the U.S. Army regarding Airspace, Aeronautical Information, Air Traffic Control and Flight Procedure Policy.

- Represent the Army on all national and international aeronautical matters.
- Provide primary interface/coordination with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) through Department of the Army representatives (DARRs).
- Provide aeronautical services to U.S. Army forces in Europe, Africa and the Middle East.

FAA TERMINAL SERVICE AREAS/EN ROUTE & OCEANIC SERVICE AREAS

- Organization is moving from a six region organization to a three region organization.
 - Western
 - Central
 - Eastern
- Although USAASA has not restructured its organization yet, they will be soon.

WHAT DO WE DO?

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| ▪ Special Use Airspace | ▪ National Flight Data Registry |
| ▪ Range Operations | ▪ MVA Chart Reviews |
| ▪ Terminal Airspace | ▪ FLIP Changes |
| ▪ Obstruction Evaluation | ▪ Rulemaking Actions |
| ▪ Environmental Issues | ▪ Special Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Super Bowl Restricted Area➤ Air Shows➤ NTC Expansion➤ VPG Expansion |
| ▪ ATC (CTO) Examiners | |
| ▪ Flight Deviations/FAA Errors | |
| ▪ Open Skies Overflights | |
| ▪ Frequency Management | |
| ▪ Waivers | |

SPECIAL USE AIRSPACE

- NAVY/USMC
 - 56 Restricted Areas
 - 42 MOA's
 - 15 Warning Areas
- ARMY
 - 30 Restricted Areas
 - 4 CFA's
 - 1 Alert Area
- AIR FORCE
 - 14 Restricted Areas
 - 26 MOA's